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WU'S GOOD ADVICE

Wu Ting Fang, the retiring Chinese Minister to the United States, is returning home to China in the Hongkong Maru. There has been no diplomat in Washington who has attracted more attention than Wu Ting Fang. He is able, keen and witty, and being not merely fluent but eloquent in the English language, the Chinese Minister has been in great demand as an orator both in Washington and elsewhere on the Mainland, including great university convocations. The newspapers eagerly grasped at his public addresses, which were replete with a rich vein of humor. Wu Ting Fang is an investigator by habit and goes back to his country with a rich store of American information and impressions. From the moment of his arrival in Honolulu last night Wu Ting Fang has been his inquiring faculties in full play. He was met on board the steamer by Vice Consul Goo Kim Fui with a large deputation of Chinese merchants and members of the See Yip Society. After extending him greetings they bore him away to the Consulate at Victoria, Beretania, and Young streets, where a luncheon was served in his honor.

Early this morning the same people, one or two bringing their wives, assembled again at the Consulate to meet Minister Wu. They formed in a double line across the veranda in guard of honor position to receive their distinguished countryman on his return from a drive with the Vice Consul. Dressed in their gay reception robes of many colors they made an attractive array. Several carriages escorted the carryall in which the Minister and Vice Consul drove increased the receiving party.

Vice Consul Goo Kim Fui escorted Minister Wu Ting Fang, who was attended by a secretary, between the bowing lines and into the reception room to the left of the hallway. For a few minutes animated conversation in Chinese took place, a woman's voice being detected from outside as taking part in it. Then one of the callers wearing American clothes came out with a woman whose face shone with smiles and departed.

A little later an acquaintance of a Bulletin reporter who was waiting by previous appointment with the Vice Consul asked him to enter. He was ushered between the receiving lines ranged on either side and given a chair facing the distinguished visitor, who was seated by a small table at the side of the room. The party insisted on his sitting down when he hesitated about doing so with themselves all



THE GENIAL WU TING FANG.

standing, with the exception of the Vice Consul.

For a few moments Minister Wu chatted in an animated manner with those near him before he seemingly noticed the Caucasian visitor. Then he looked at the reporter with a quick but kindly glance and asked, "Who is this?"

Vice Consul Goo Kim and Poon Kwai Leung, secretary of the Consulate, both mentioned the reporter's name without indicating his calling.

"What paper do you represent?" Minister Wu nevertheless queried of the instant.

"How many papers are there in Honolulu?" was his next question. The reporter was having the experience he had read about as that of the Mainland fraternity with the Minister—that of being more the interviewed than the interviewer.

Minister Wu, who communicates his feelings as much by facial expression and physical gesture as by actual speech, seemed to be amusedly surprised at the number of daily papers. After receiving general information regarding other publications, the Minister named the dailies in succession and

asked what was the politics of each. Only when he came to the Independent he answered the question himself:

"And the Independent—of course that is Independent."

After a short preliminary lecture, that proved the keynote of the interview proper, on the duty of the Republican dailies to rise above party when local interests dictated, he asked:

"Mrs. Wilson publishes a paper, doesn't she?" On being told that the journal of the retiring Delegate wife had not appeared since the election, Minister Wu said he had received the paper in Washington. "It was part in English and part in the native language," he added with a smile.

"Well, what can I do for you?" at length Minister Wu asked.

He was told that a talk on the impressions he was carrying home from America would be gratefully received.

"Well, ask me a question and I will answer you to the best of my ability," the Minister responded.

This was sudden coming directly after an ordeal of being rapidly questioned, but the reporter ventured:

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Senate Committee's Report On Public Works and Treasury

The Senate met this forenoon at 10 o'clock and considered the reports from three committees. There were only thirteen Senators present at first but Senator Dickey appeared later on. After the usual preliminaries, Senator Achi read the following report on the Treasury Department which was accepted and placed on file:

Hon. C. L. Crabbe, President of the Senate.

Sir:—Your committee to which the investigation of the Treasury Department was referred, respectfully report as follows:

Wright's I. O. U.

The cash was counted by Senator Isenberg, and found correct, with the exception of the Chinese fund, in which amount a shortage of \$17,949.91 was found, but covered by an I. O. U. signed by W. H. Wright, and the books are kept in proper way; a copy of the statement of cash of the Treasury of the Territory of Hawaii, dated November 24, 1902, is hereto attached and made a part hereof.

We also found that the actions of the Auditor were the same as stated in the report of the committee relating to the Auditor's Department.

Flight of Wright.

In regard to the flight of Mr. W. H. Wright, the former Treasurer, we find that:

On September 23d, 1902, Mr. Cooper had suspicions of something wrong in the Treasury Department, and he (Cooper) at once notified the Governor and the Attorney General, on the afternoon of the same day Mr. Wright confessed to Mr. H. E. Cooper, as Secretary of the Territory, of the shortage of the Chinese fund, which was under Mr. Wright's control at the time; Mr. H. E. Cooper on the same day notified the Governor and the Attorney General of Mr. Wright's confession of his guilt.

On the 23d day of September, Mr. Wright and his lawyer then promised to make the amount good at 9 o'clock next day, September 24th.

At 9 o'clock a. m. September 24th, Mr. Wright failed to come to the office Mr. Cooper then at once tried to find

PARLIAMENT TO VOTE ON SUGAR BOUNTY

London, Nov. 24.—The House of Commons today will be asked to accept a resolution committing it to a ratification of the Brussels convention abolishing sugar bounties. The resolution is regarded with not a little anxiety by those who hold to the fiscal principles under which England built up her commercial prosperity. The convention was signed last March by delegates from Great Britain, Germany, France, Austria, Italy, Spain, Sweden, Belgium and Holland. Its object is twofold—on the one hand to equalize conditions of competition between beet sugar and cane sugar and on the other hand to promote the consumption of sugar. So far as England is concerned, the principal desire was to give some encouragement to the sugar industry in the West Indies. The Ministerial resolution, which will be moved by Ger. ald Balfour, president of the Board of Trade, will meet with a strong opposition from the Radical party. There is little doubt, however, that it will be carried by a substantial majority.

SHIP NEWSBOY'S ESCAPE.

Port Townsend, Wash., Nov. 17.—The barkentine Newsboy, arriving today from Honolulu, reports a narrow escape from going ashore on Vancouver Island, and on Sunday night off Carmanah Point during a heavy squall the vessel was struck by lightning, but the damage was slight.

The revenue cutter Perry, which recently returned from her summer detail at Sitka, leaves tonight for Astoria, where she will be stationed this winter to patrol the coast and lend assistance to vessels in distress.

Officers of the cutter Manning, recently from Behring sea, say there is no cause for anxiety over the mail steamer Newport, reported fifteen days overdue at Juneau. Returning from the westward the Newport reached Dutch harbor outward bound October 23d, eight days behind schedule time, and being of small power, she could not make up speed, especially in bad weather.

CARPENTERS WON'T ENDORSE.

The Carpenters' Union has refused to endorse the Merchants' Association petition for more Chinese labor importation to Hawaii. The union claims there are enough Orientals in Hawaii now.

out if the Attorney General had done anything regarding Mr. Wright and finally notified the High Sheriff of the matter; the High Sheriff then at once did all in his power to prevent Mr. Wright from going away; but it was too late.

Placing Responsibility.

From the above statement, your committee cannot place the responsibility of W. H. Wright's flight on the Secretary of the Territory if there is any responsibility in the matter; it may be on the Attorney General's Department; but, the Attorney General is away at this time and your committee is unable to get his evidence, so we are not prepared to state who is liable for W. H. Wright's flight.

According to the statement of Mr. H. E. Cooper, the average of the money in the Treasury Department from the beginning of the period was \$300,000.00, the only employee in the Treasury Department who gives bond is the Registrar of Accounts, his bond being \$20,000; his sureties are Messrs. Ahrens and J. D. Holt Jr.

On September 24th, 1902, Mr. H. E. Cooper was appointed Treasurer, and holds his commission as Treasurer.

Attorney General's Advice.

In regard to the shortage in the Chinese fund, Mr. Cooper states, that it is the intention of the Government to request the next Legislature to make an appropriation covering the said amount. Furthermore, we may state that the Chinese fund was used by the Government by taking the cash and depositing Government warrants, said action was done through the advice of the Attorney General; which such action was lawful or sound business policy your committee leaves the public opinion.

Respectfully submitted,

W. C. ACHI, Chairman.

D. PAUL R. ISENBERG.

S. E. KAUIE.

STATEMENT OF CASH OF THE TREASURY OF THE TERRITORY OF HAWAII, NOV. 24, 1902.

Current Account—	
Book balance, Nov. 24, 1902, at 12 m.	\$676,067.16
Cash Account—	
Gold coin	\$283,400.00
Silver coin	\$1,803.45
Treasury Warrants, redeemed not entered	149,859.65
Checks of Deposits from Banks and Drafts	209,247.04
U. S. Certificates of Deposits	675.00
Mutual Savings Bank Certificates	135.00
Hawaiian Govt. Coupons, paid not entered	780.00
Cash Vouchers "Office Incidentals"	24.25
Debased Coin	139.75
	\$676,067.16
Deficit	02
	\$676,067.16

Special Deposits—

Road Tax "Book Balance"		\$ 22,678.30
Road Tax "Cash Account"		41,473.80
Land Sales "Book Balance"		
Land Sales "Cash Account"	\$ 33,473.80	
Hawaiian Government bonds paid and secured by Indemnity Bonds	8,000.00	\$ 41,473.80

Outstanding Warrants 1898-1899 "Book Balance"

Outstanding Warrants "Cash Account"	254.74
Outstanding Warrants "Cash Account for"	254.75
Postal Savings Bank "Cash Balance"	2,271.15
Postal Savings Bank "Cash Account for"	2,271.15
Over-Cash	\$ 66,678.09
	\$ 66,677.99
	.01
Chinese Fund—	
Cash account for	\$ 66,678.00
I. O. U.	\$143,276.34
	17,949.91
	\$161,226.25

E. and O. D. PAUL R. ISENBERG.

The next report was read by Chairman Baldwin of the committee appointed to investigate the Public Works Department. It recommended the removal of Mr. Boyd from office. The report in full was as follows:

Honolulu, T. H., Nov. 30, 1902.

Honorable C. L. Crabbe, President of the Senate.

Sir:—Your special committee to whom was referred the Governor's message, making certain charges against the Superintendent of Public Works, and declaring his intention by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, to remove said Superintendent of Public Works, J. H. Boyd, from office, beg leave to report that we have looked thoroughly into the charges made against Mr. Boyd, have also looked into the general affairs, and examined the system of books kept in the department.

Your committee have had lengthy interviews with J. H. Boyd, B. H. Wright, H. E. Cooper, the clerks of the Public Works Department, and several other witnesses, relative to the charge in the Governor's message against Mr. Boyd of cash shortages, and also with reference to other matters connected with the Public Works Department.

Improved by Cooper.

We did not have the books expected, as we found that this had been done twice this year by the Deputy Auditor. We found the system of books and the method of keeping the same, good; more especially with certain changes inaugurated by the present Acting Superintendent H. E. Cooper. The most important change is in the way cash payments are now received. All cash receipts are now received over the counter by the cashier, as they should be, and at the end of each day turned over the chief clerk, who gives the cashier a receipt for the same. Under Superintendent J. H. Boyd, cash was

received and turned over to the chief clerk, who gave the cashier no receipt for the same. Cash was also received by Mr. Boyd in the back office, who either turned it over to the chief clerk or kept it in his own possession, keeping a memorandum of the transaction either on loose paper or in two "special" books (alluded to in the Governor's message) that appeared to be his own property, and did not belong to the regular system of books belonging to the department. Cash thus received and not turned over to the cashier by Mr. Boyd, was usually partial payments towards land sales, and was deposited by him in Spreckels & Company's bank to the account of "J. H. Boyd, Trustee," or kept in his private box in one of the Department safes. These receipts were often in his possession over a year before they were accounted for, and turned over to the cashier or chief clerk. Mr. Boyd's excuse for retaining such payments in his possession is that they were partial payments towards land sales, and he preferred to hold the payments till full settlement for each land sale was made. Your committee, however, find in answer to this that the cash for full settlements for land sales was held by him for over a year before the money was turned over to the department as a Government realization. These private books above mentioned were kept by Mr. Boyd as far back as 1896, when Mr. Hasenauer was chief clerk.

Condemn Loose Methods.

Your committee cannot condemn too strongly such a loose, careless and unsystematic method of handling public funds. It is a method quite likely to lead to mistakes in accounting for public funds, and makes the way easy for the perpetration of fraud.

On Mr. Boyd's return from San Francisco, October 22, 1902, the Governor, after an interview with him, made a demand on Mr. Boyd to make an ac-

GOVERNOR SHORN OF CENTRALIZED POWER

Washington, Nov. 24.—The Senatorial committee that visited Hawaii will recommend to the President that Judge John W. Kala, presiding over the Second Circuit Court of Hawaii, be removed from office. Charges of incompetency and corruption were made against Kala during the visit of the committee to the islands, and, although Kala was invited to reply to the charges, he did not attempt to do so.

One of the committee, who is now in this city, said today that among the recommendations would be two of considerable importance. One of these will be that the Governor of Hawaii be shorn of much of his power, which at present is entirely too large, in the opinion of the committee, to insure efficient government.

The second recommendation will be the creation of local district governments for certain purposes on the separate islands, which will tend to relieve the Governor of some of his power.

For land transfers, prompt administration of local affairs, etc., the present centralized government at Honolulu is said to be inimical to the welfare of the group.

MINISTER WU TELLS WHAT CHINA NEEDS

"I have been in the United States. I have seen. We people have to have three things that they have—free schools, railways and newspapers. These things we must have; otherwise we shall never get ahead in the world."

The foregoing is the quintessence of Minister Wu's speech at the reception given him this afternoon.

ALL RED CABLE RATES

Montreal, Nov. 22.—It is announced that when the "All Red" Pacific cable opens for business in December the rate will be 58 cents a word for commercial messages and 20 cents a word for press dispatches from all points in Canada to all points in Australia.

APPOINTMENTS TO COME UP TOMORROW

From the present looks of things the Senate will be ready to close up its work tomorrow. In all probability, the Senate, the Governor and the executive committee of the Republican party will agree on names for the offices of Treasurer, Superintendent of Public Works and Auditor, and Mr. Dole, it is expected, will send in the recommendations in the morning so that the Senate may take immediate action.

For the Treasury there will be an insistence on the name of M. P. Robinson and pressure will be brought to bear to get him to take the office. If he refuses absolutely, then the probable choice will be A. J. Campbell.

In the matter of the Auditorship, the Governor, it is understood, has already given his consent to the nomination of Col. J. H. Fisher, whose name will appear among those in the expected message of